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 Filed : November 28, 2000  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.  
☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below.  
☐ This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

## Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional fee
Total claims	8	Minus	20 =	0 x	\$50(25)	= \$0
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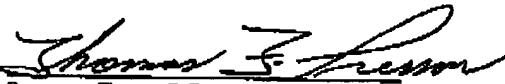
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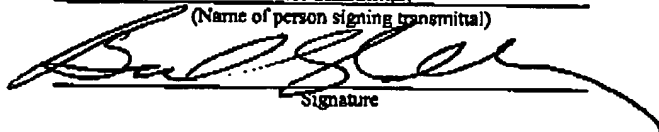
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Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed on July 24, 2006, having a  
three-month statutory period for response set to expire on October 24, 2006, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows.

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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins  
on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.